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# CALIFORNIA STATE THREAT ASSESSMENT CENTER

## 24-HOUR REPORT

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### (U) NATIONAL

#### (U) Louisiana – Police Officer Killed Before Shift

(U) Shreveport – Authorities are searching for a suspect in the death of a Louisiana police officer who was shot just before her shift Wednesday night. The Shreveport Police Department didn't disclose details about the shooting. Shreveport Police Captain Marcus Hines said more than 50 police units responded to the shooting. At least one person was detained for questioning, but there hadn't been any arrests as of this morning.

SOURCE: 10 January 2019, [ABC News](#)

#### (U) Washington – President Signs Law to Provide \$430M Towards Anti-Human Trafficking Effort

(U) District of Columbia – Nationwide efforts to confront human trafficking received a boost as President Donald Trump signed a bill reauthorizing federal expenditures for prevention and assistance programs across the federal government. The Frederick Douglass Trafficking Victims Prevention and Protection Reauthorization Act allows \$430 million in federal funds for trafficking prevention and education, victim protection and stronger government prosecution of traffickers through 2022.

SOURCE: 9 January 2019, [National Catholic Reporter](#)

### (U) INTERNATIONAL

#### (U) Australia – Arrest Made over Suspicious Packages at Consulates, Embassies

(U) Melbourne – Australian police said today a 48-year-old man was arrested as part of an investigation into suspicious packages sent to embassies and consulates across the country. More than a dozen foreign offices received suspicious packages on Wednesday. Police have so far recovered 29 of the parcels but are yet to determine the exact composition of the material in them. The man has been charged with sending dangerous articles through a postal service with a maximum penalty for the offense of 10 years imprisonment, the police said in a statement.

SOURCE: 9 January 2019, [Reuters](#)

#### (U) Italy – Italy Busts Smuggling Ring

(U) Sicily – Italian police have seized eight men behind a speedboat smuggling ring that ran people, including possible jihadists, to Sicily from Tunisia, investigators say. Operations were headed by a Tunisian man who used his Facebook account to spread ISIS propaganda, they said. He remains at large and is wanted for inciting terrorism. Using speed boats, the smugglers reached the southwest coast of Sicily within three-and-a-half hours carrying a handful of migrants and often other contraband, like cigarettes or hashish.

SOURCE: 9 January 2019, [Australia News](#)

#### (U) Mexico – 20 Bodies Found Near US Border

(U) Miguel Aleman – Mexican authorities discovered 20 bodies close to the US border yesterday, 17 of them burned near the city of Nuevo Laredo, a security official said. Five burned vehicles were also found near the bodies in the town of Miguel Aleman, across the Rio Grande from Texas in the northern state of

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Tamaulipas, according to official statement. Tamaulipas has become one of the most violent states in Mexico, convulsed by gangs fighting to control drug trafficking, extortion rackets and the exploitation of migrants.

SOURCE: 10 January 2019, [Reuters](#)

**(U) Somalia – Airstrike Kills Six Al-Shabaab Fighters**

(U) Yaaq Braawe – The United States military says it has carried out an airstrike in southern Somalia that killed six al-Shabaab extremists. The US Africa Command statement yesterday said Tuesday's airstrike targeted an al-Shabaab camp near Yaaq Braawe in the Bay region. Two strikes on Monday near Bagdad killed four al-Shabaab members, and one on Sunday killed six al-Shabaab members near Dheerow Sanle in Lower Shabelle region. The US carried out at least 47 such airstrikes last year in the Horn of Africa nation.

SOURCE: 9 January 2019, [Associated Press](#)

**(U) Yemen – Houthi Drone Strikes Military Parade**

(U) Aiden – Houthi drones on Thursday attacked a Yemeni government military parade in Lahaj province, killing several people, Saudi and Houthi media reported. The parade was taking place inside a military base in al-Anad district when a loud explosion rocked the area, eyewitnesses said, adding high-ranked officials including Yemen's deputy chief of staff were wounded in the attack. The Houthis said in November they were halting drone and missile attacks on Saudi Arabia, the United Arab Emirates and their Yemeni allies, but tensions have risen recently over how to implement a UN-sponsored peace deal.

SOURCE: 9 January 2019, [Reuters](#)

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